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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

FRERKING ET AL.

Serial No.: 10/615,300

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For: PORTABLE BATTERY

**RECHARGE STATION** 

Art Unit: 2838

Examiner: Lawrence W. LUK

## RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on May 3, 2004, Applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, species associated with Group I for initial examination in the present application. Claims 53-65 and 75-79 read on the elected species and are generic to all of species outlined in the Office Action.

However, applicants respectfully traverse the election requirement since all of species 53-79 are sufficiently related that a thorough and complete search for species associated with claims 53-65 and 75-79 would necessarily encompass a thorough and complete search for the non-elected species. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the election requirement be withdrawn and that all species claimed herein be examined.

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